Ladybird I'm Ready...

for Phonics!

Level 1

Initial letter sounds

Captain Comet's Space Party

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Note to parents, carers and teachers

Ladybird I'm Ready for Phonics is a series of phonic reading books that have been carefully written to give gradual, structured practice of the synthetic phonics programme your child is learning at school.

Each book focuses on a set of phonemes (sounds) together with their graphemes (letters). Level 1 teaches children to find the sound at the beginning of a word – the initial letter sound.

The series closely follows the order that your child is taught phonics in school, from initial letter sounds to key phonemes and beyond. It helps to build reading confidence through practice of these phonics building blocks, and reinforces school learning in a fun way.

Ideas for use

- Help your child identify the letter sound at the beginning of each word. Then read the whole word aloud, emphasizing the initial letter sound.

- Talk about the different objects she can see on the page. Can she name any of them easily?

- Children learn best when reading is a fun experience. Read the book together and give your child plenty of praise and encouragement.

For more information and advice on synthetic phonics and school book banding, visit **www.ladybird.com/phonics**

Book Band 0

Level 1 is ideal for children who are just beginning their synthetic phonics learning. The initial letter sounds in this book are:

s a t p i n m d o c r b f

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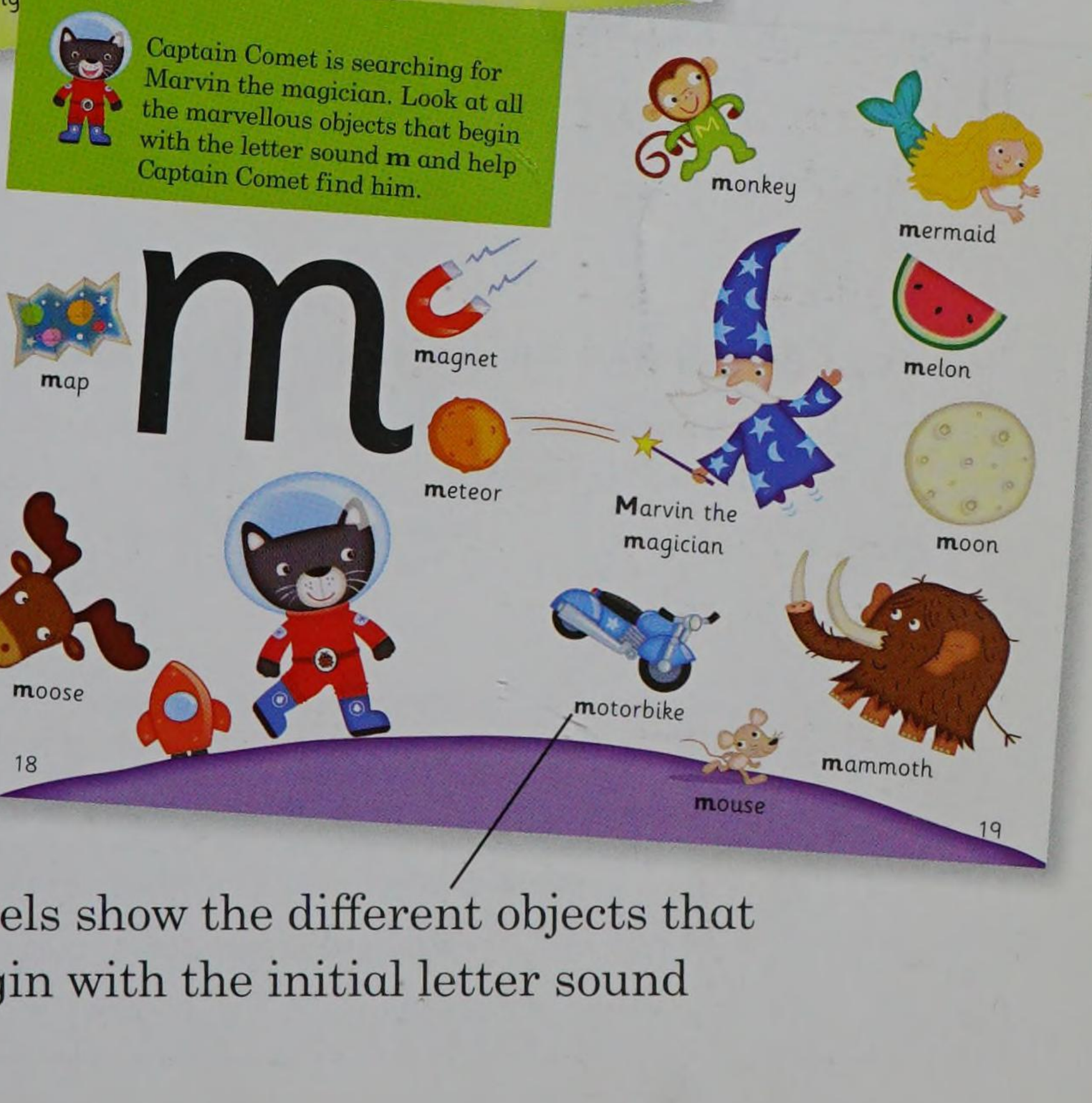
read this introduction to your child

initial letter sound is in large, clear type



labels show the different objects that begin with the initial letter sound

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Captain Comet's Space Party

Captain Comet is having a party. Look at the objects that begin with the letter sound **s**. Can you find two super party snacks?

S

snail

sweets

stars

starfish

stairs

seahorse

saxophone

seal

spider

snake

sock

sandwiches

Spaceman **S**am

Sam

sea

skateboard

Captain Comet is zooming through Asteroid Alley. Look at the objects that begin with the letter sound **a**. Can you spot an astronaut to invite to the party?

a

ambulance

asteroids

alligator

apples

antelope

Anna

Anna the
astronaut

anteater

ants

Captain Comet needs to find a party prize. Look at all the objects on Planet Tob that begin with the letter sound **t**. What would you choose?

toad

t

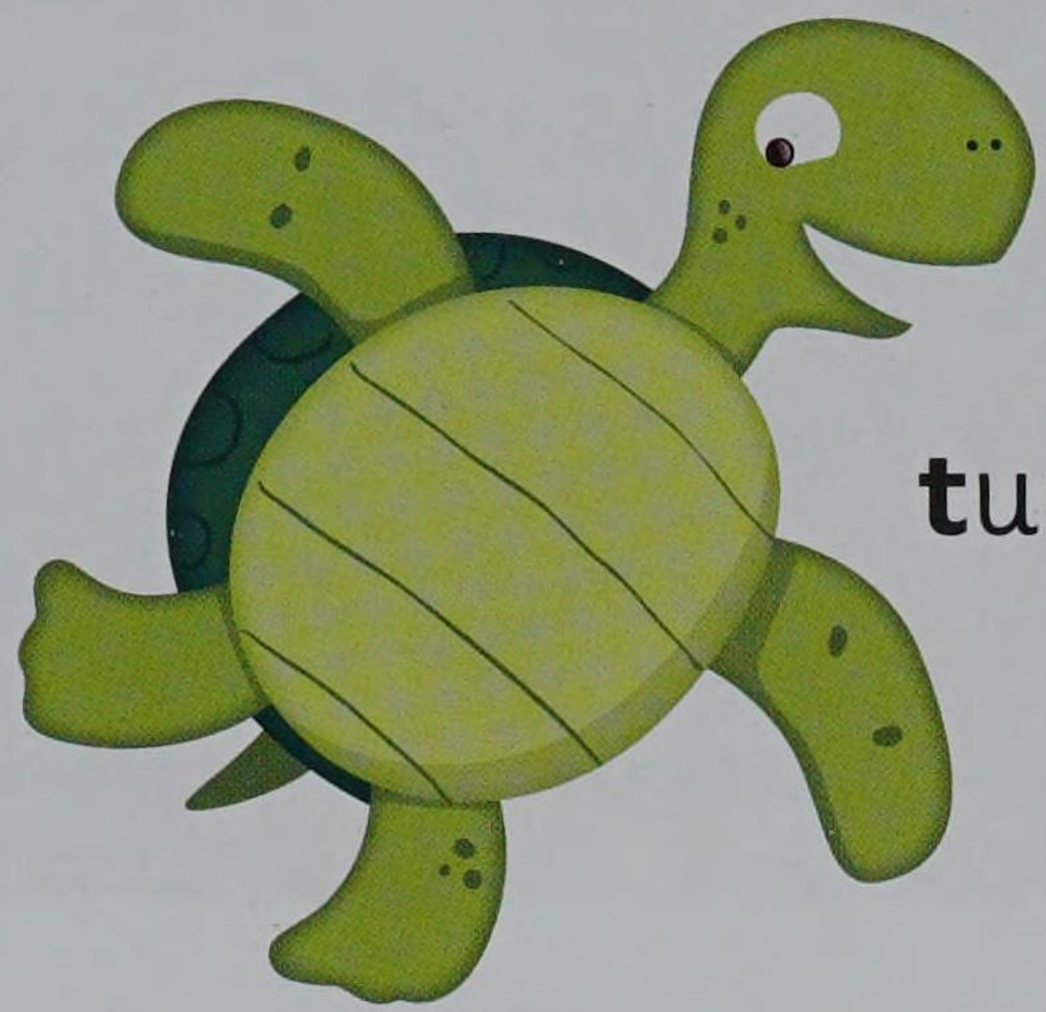
teddy

train

tiger

tea

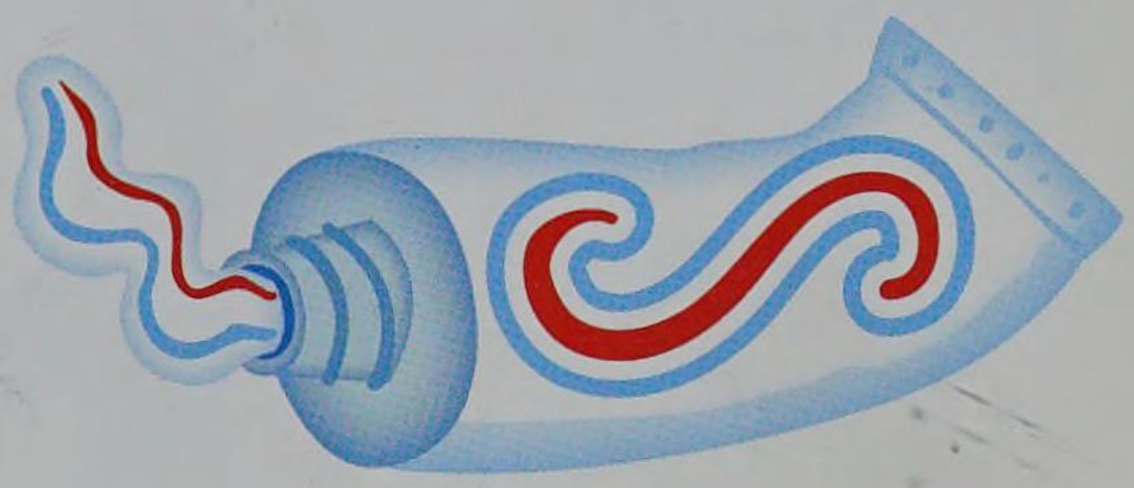
teapot



turtle

television

toothbrush



toothpaste

toast

tractor

toaster

Captain Comet has arrived on the Pirate Planet. Look at all the objects that begin with the letter sound **p**. What perfect pieces does Pirate Pop have for the party?

popcorn

p

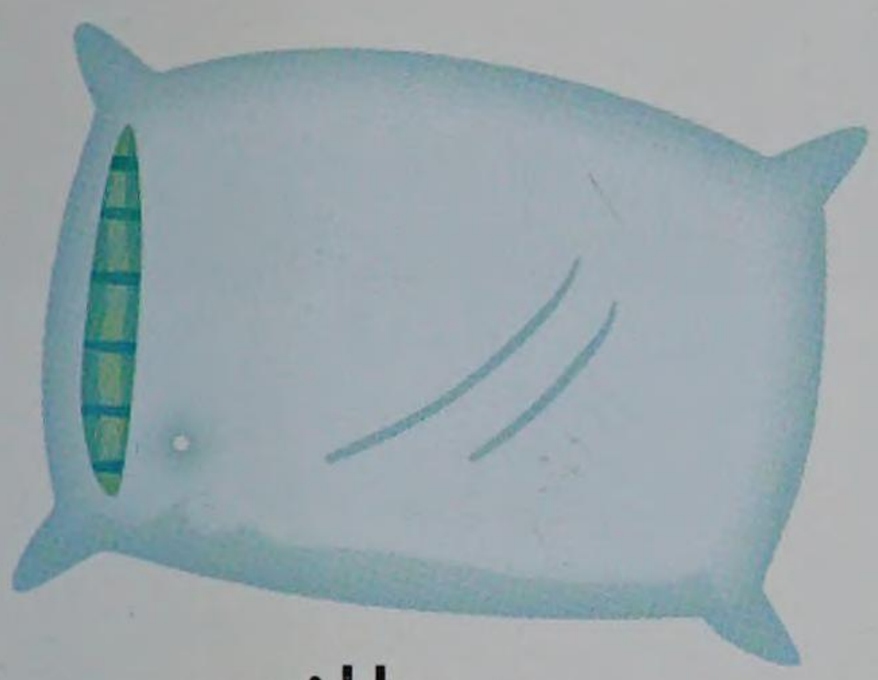
pumpkin

pencil

pizza

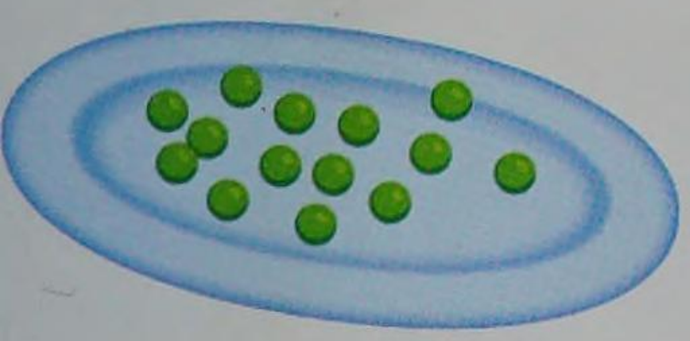
penguins

plane



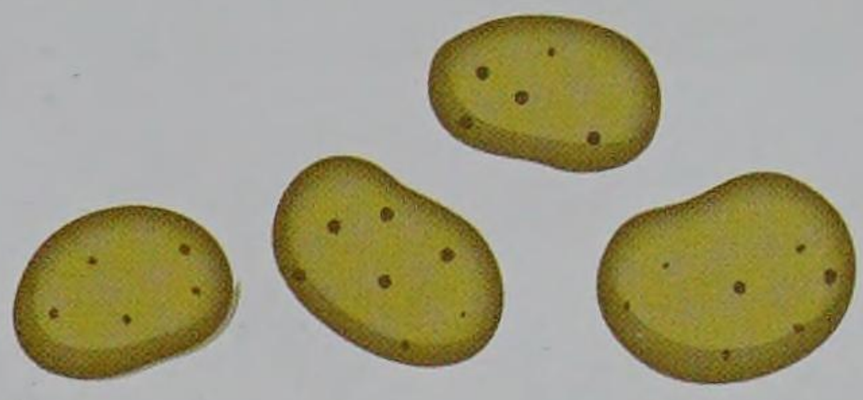
pillow

parrot



peas

polar bear



potatoes

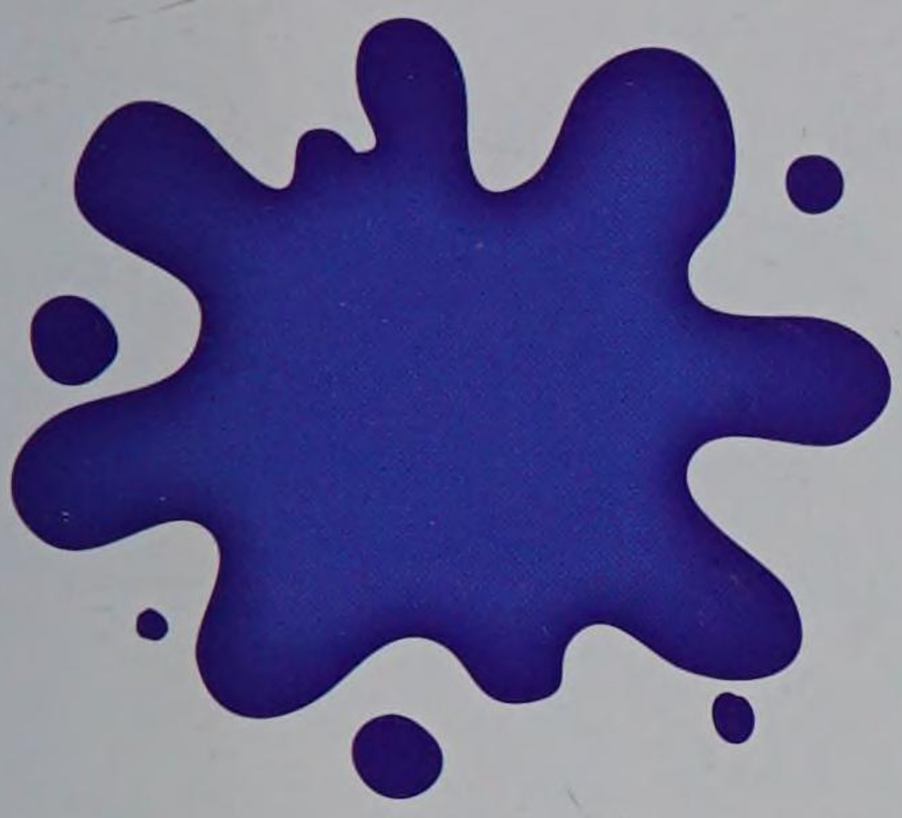
presents

Pirate **P**op

Captain Comet is visiting Planet Impossible. He has lost his party invitations! Look at all the objects that begin with the letter sound **i** and help him find them.

insects

igloo



ink

invitations

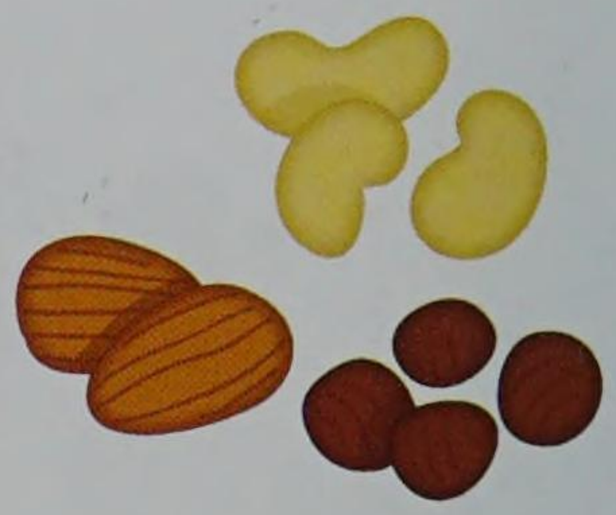
ink pot

iguana

Captain Comet has landed on Planet Neptune. He invites his friend Nat to the party. What else can you see that begins with the letter sound **n**?

napkin

n



nuts

nag

newt

neighbours

needle

notebook

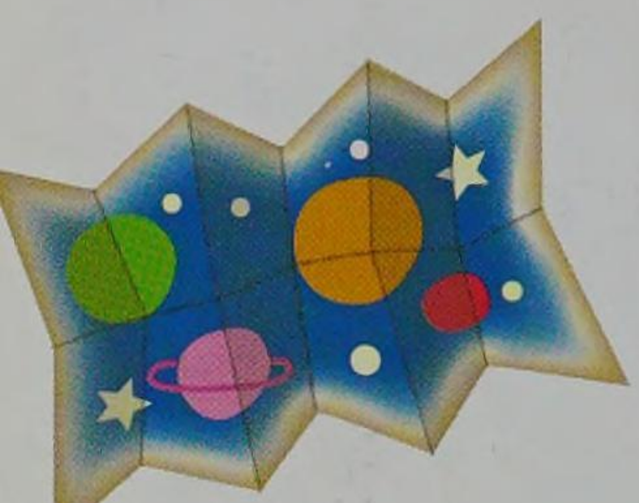
newspaper

Nat

net

nest

Captain Comet is searching for Marvin the magician. Look at all the marvellous objects that begin with the letter sound **m** and help Captain Comet find him.



map

m

magnet

meteor

moose

monkey

mermaid

melon

Marvin the magician

moon

motorbike

mammoth

mouse

On Planet Dopple, Captain Comet invites his friend Dot to the party. Look at all the delightful objects that begin with the letter sound **d** and see if you can spot dancing Dot.

dart

d

donkey

dog

Dot

dragon

doughnuts

dice

drumsticks

door

dinosaur

drum

ducks

Guess what colour everything is on Planet Orange? Look at the objects that begin with the letter sound **o**. What party drink is Otto the octopus holding?

oranges

O

olive

ox

otter

ostrich

oblong

orange juice

Otto the
octopus

Cosmic Caroline is cooking some party food. Look at the objects that begin with the letter sound **c**. Can you find two cool party treats?

cup

C

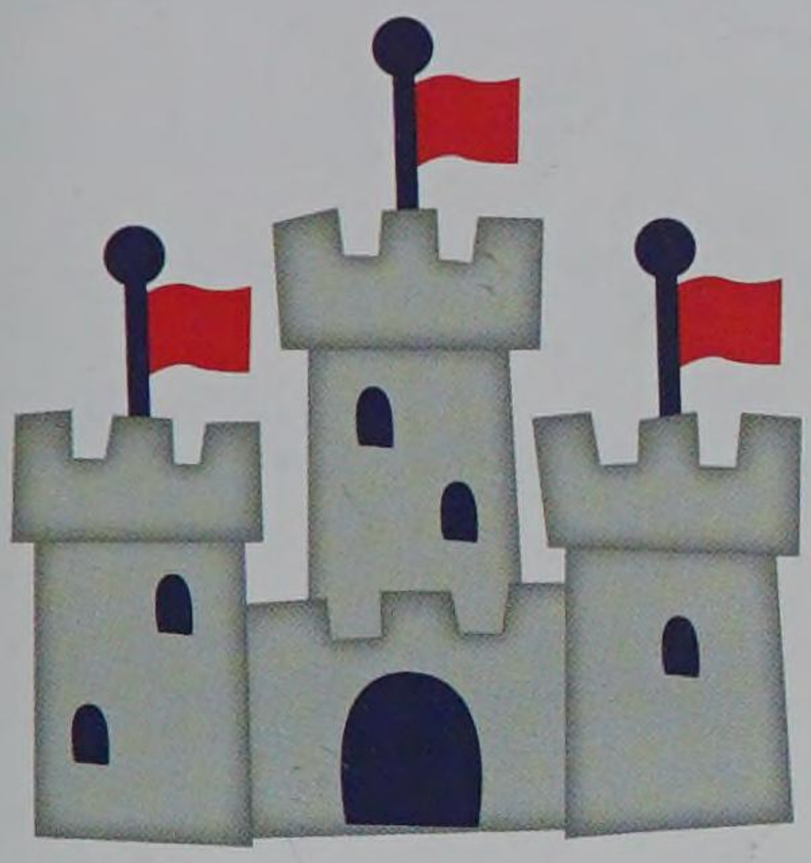
candyfloss

computer

cupcakes

Captain **C**omet

cobweb



castle

camel

car

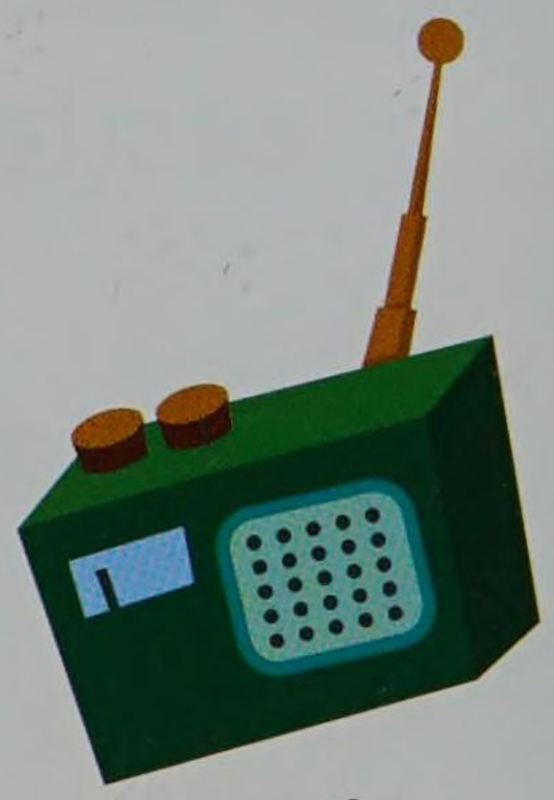
carrots

cauldron

Cosmic **C**aroline

On Planet Rollercoaster, Rusty the robot races past Captain Comet. He doesn't want to be late for the party! What other objects can you see that begin with the letter sound **r**?

robin



radio

rabbit

ring

rollercoaster

rocket

rain

racoon

Rusty the robot

ruler

river

rat

Captain Comet's friend Big Bear Bill lives on Planet Boomerang. He's got the best bits for the party. What can you see that begins with the letter sound **b**?

b

ball

bus

bee

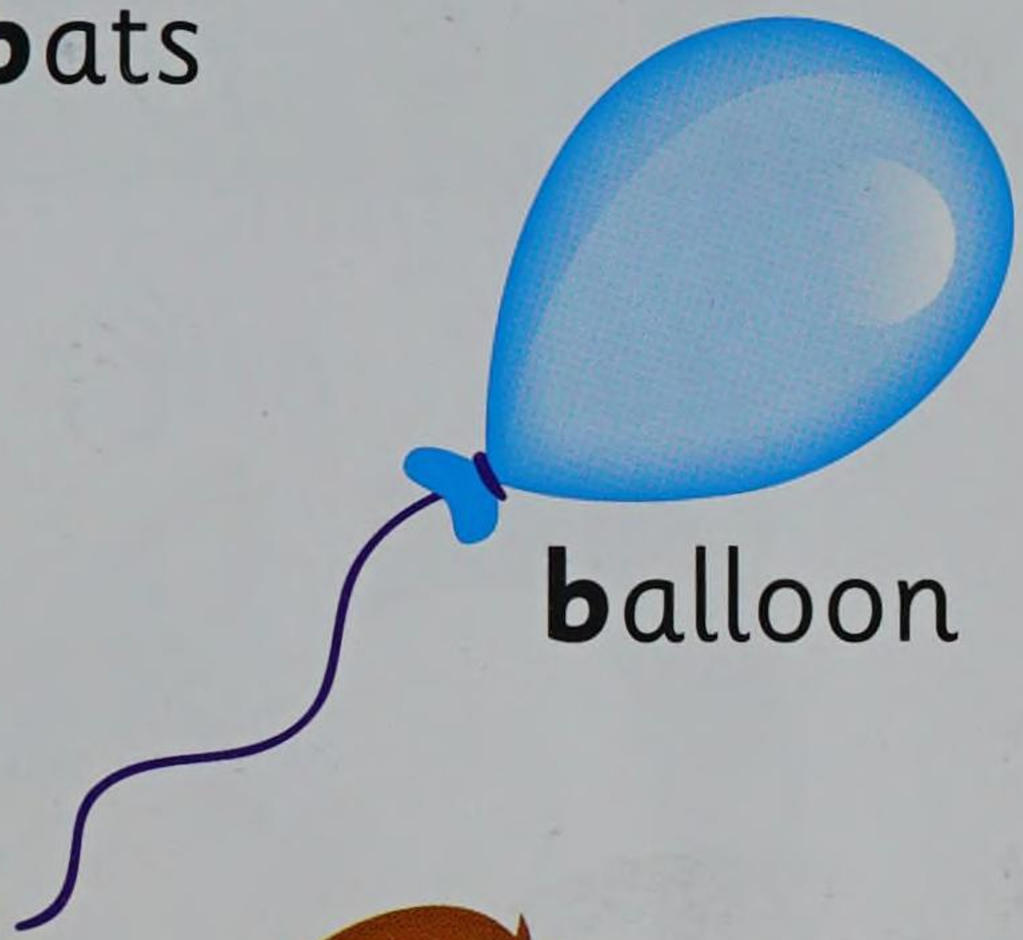
boomerang

biscuits

beave

bats

boat

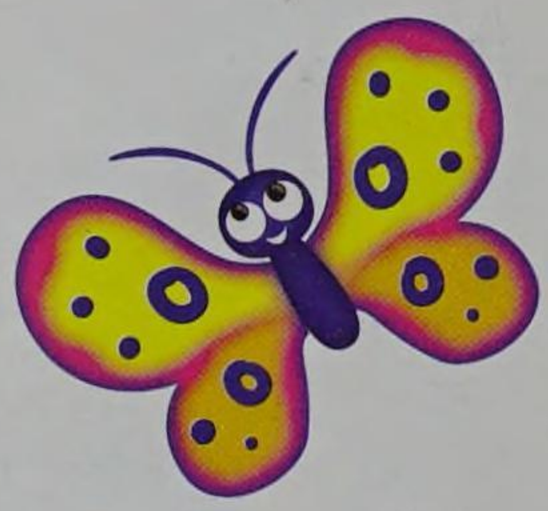


balloon

bread

banana

bird



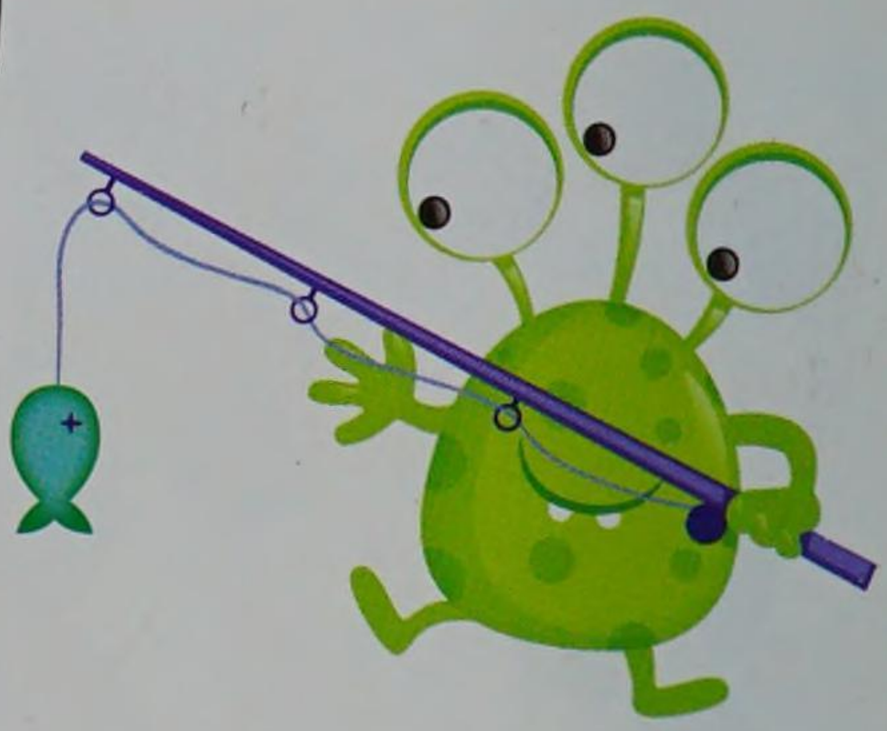
butterfly

Big **B**ear
Bill

All the friends have arrived on Planet Fun. It's time for the fancy dress party to begin! What costumes can you see that start with the letter sound f?

Dot is a fairy.

f



Nat is a fisherman.

Spaceman Sam is a flower.

Pirate Pop is Father Christmas.

Marvin the magician
is a *f*ish.

Cosmic Caroline
is a *f*lamingo.

Anna the astronaut
is a *f*ox.

Captain Comet
is a *f*irefighter.

Rusty the robot
is a *f*ootballer.

Big Bear Bill
is a *f*armer.

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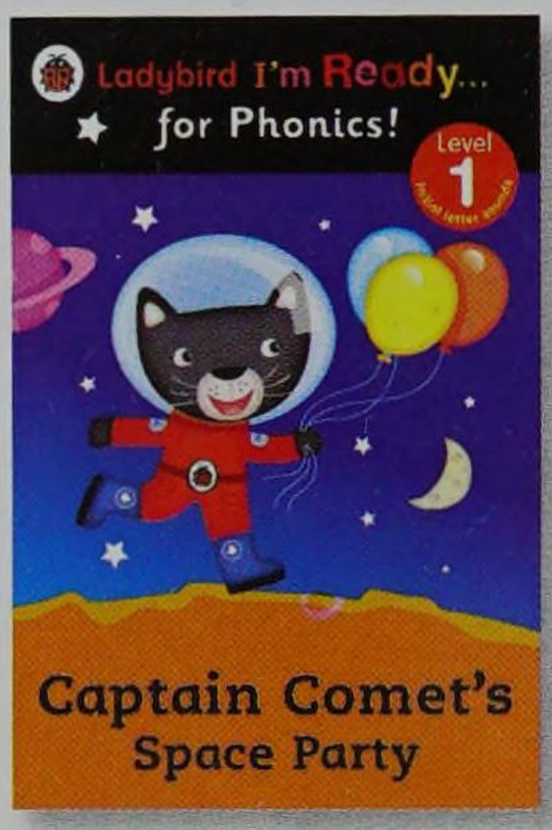

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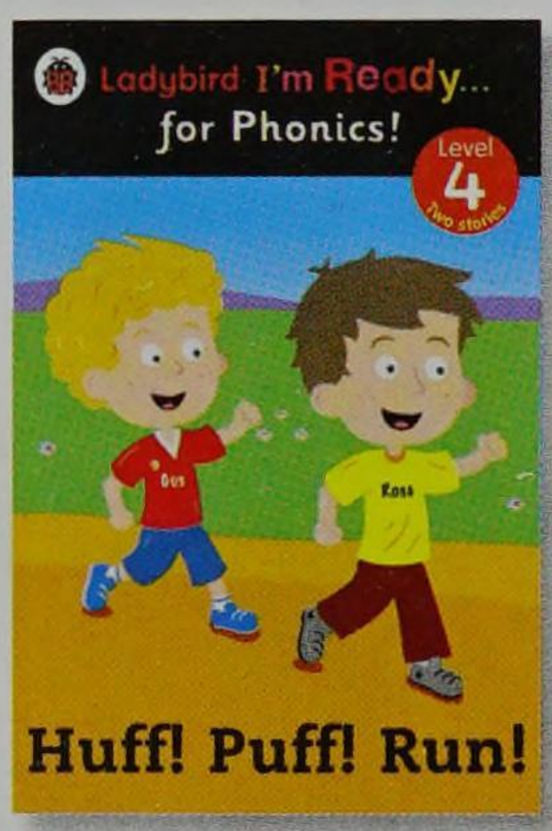

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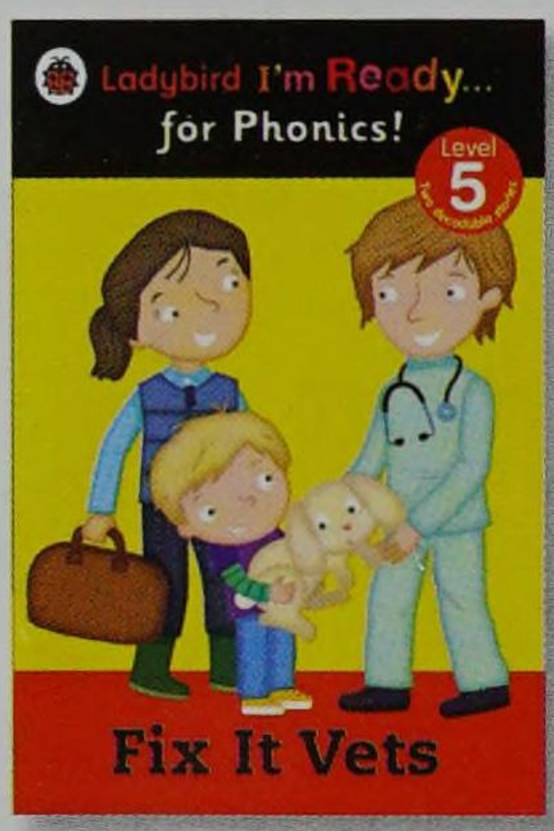

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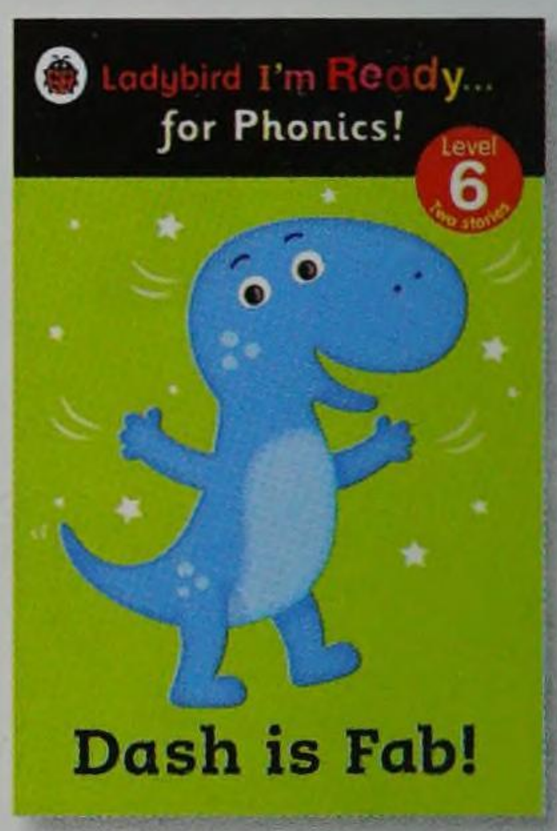

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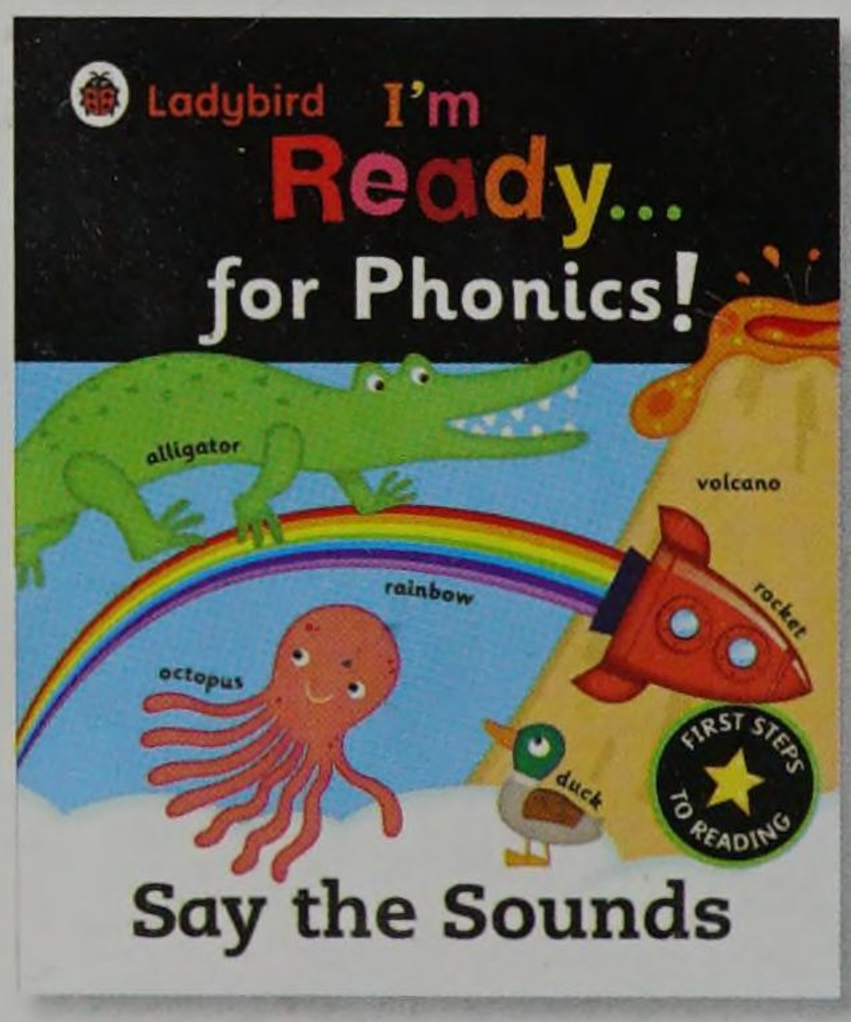

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